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ANNUAL SOUTH DAKOTA CHICKEN AND EGGS

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. February 28, 2017 – South Dakota's layer numbers during 2016 averaged 2.15 million, up three percent from the year earlier, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. The annual average production per layer on hand in 2016 was 277 eggs, down five percent from 2014.

South Dakota egg production during the year ending November 30, 2016 totaled 594 million eggs, down two percent from 2015.

Total number of chickens on hand on December 1, 2016 (excluding commercial broilers) was 3.58 million birds, up 75 percent from last year.

The total value of all chickens in South Dakota on December 1, 2016 was \$12.2 million, up 86 percent from December 1, 2015. The average value increased from \$3.20 per bird on December 1, 2015, to \$3.40 per bird on December 1, 2016.

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MONTHLY SOUTH DAKOTA CHICKEN AND EGGS

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. February 28, 2017 – All layers in South Dakota during January 2017 totaled 2.70 million, up from 1.68 million the previous year, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service.

South Dakota egg production during January totaled 68.1 million eggs, up from 39.4 million in 2016. January egg production per 100 layers was 2,522 eggs, compared to 2,344 eggs in 2016.

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